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DURING JULY 27 KHARTOUM PRESS CONFERENCE, EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT SADAT TOOK OCCASION OF QUESTION ABOUT GENEVA CONFERENCE TO VOICE COMPLAINT OVER SOVIET FAILURE TO ASSIST EGYPT ADEQUATELY SINCE OCTOBER WAR. AS QUOTED BY SUDAN NEWS AGENCY, SADAT SAID: "THERE IS NO DIFFERENCE IN THE EGYPTIAN-SOVIET VIEW-POINTS CONCERNING THE GENEVA CONFERENCE. THERE ARE SOME PROBLEMS BETWEEN EGYPT AND THE SOVIET UNION WHICH CAN BE SUMMARIZED IN TWO POINTS. THE FIRST IS THE MATTER OF ARMAMENT AND THE COMPENSATION OF WHAT WE HAVE LOST DURING THE OCTOBER WAR. I AM REFERRING TO ARMS SALE AND NOT A FREE COMPENSATION. THE SECOND POINT IS THE HARSH AND DIFFICULT ECONOMIC SITUATION IN EGYPT ON THE BASIS OF WHICH WE REQUESTED THAT SOVIET UNION REVIEW ITS DEBTS TIME TABLE. THE EGYPTIAN MINISTER OF FINANCE IS AT PRESENT IN MOSCOW WAITING FOR THEIR REPLY IN THIS MATTER. REGARDING THE ARMS AND COMPENSATION ISSUES, STILL THERE IS NO DEVELOPMENT."

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